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Re: Title: *STREPTOCOCCUS THERMOPHILUS* STRAINS PRODUCING STABLE  
HIGH-MOLECULAR-MASS EXOPOLYSACCHARIDES  
Letters Patent No. 7,615,367  
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Our Reference: DECLE69.003APC

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing is a Certificate of Correction in connection with the above-identified patent.

As some of the errors cited in the Certificate of Correction were incurred through the fault of the Applicant, the required payment of \$100 will be made via the EFS Web. Please charge any additional fees to our Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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## CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

**PATENT NO.** : 7,615,367  
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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Page 1, (30) Foreign Application Priority Data, "02447104" should be changed to --02447104.7--

Page 1, Column 2, "Other Publications", Line 30, "Budd, et al." should be changed to --Bubb, et al.--

Column 3, Lines 35-36, "of at igh-molecular-mass exopolysaccharide of at least" should be changed to --of at least--

Column 5, Line 42, "of several startercultures" should be changed to --of several starter cultures--

Column 6, Line 59, "of at least 3gl<sup>-1</sup> was" should be changed to --of at least 3g.l<sup>-1</sup> was--

Column 7, Lines 64-65, "the Theological properties" should be changed to --the rheological properties--

Column 9, Line 23, "fraction after aceton" should be changed to --fraction after acetone--

Column 9, Line 28, "after aceton precipitation." should be changed to --after acetone precipitation.--

Column 11, Line 12, "quality of bread" should be changed to --quality of bread.--

Column 12, Line 58, "nm (●), colony" should be changed to --nm (■), colony--

Column 12, Line 61, "sucrose (●)," should be changed to --sucrose (■),--

Column 12, Line 67, "Guar gum (●)," should be changed to --Guar gum (■),--

Column 23, Table 7, Line 1, "Lactid acid bacteria\*" should be changed to --Lactic acid bacteria\*--

Column 23, Table 7, Line 15, "*kefiranofacies*," should be changed to --*kefiranofaciens*,--

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